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**In re Application of:** Stephen D. Kuslich; James W. Ahern; Leon J. Grobler; Steven J. Wolfe  
**Application No.:** 09/909667  
**Filed:** July 20, 2001  
**For:** Expandable Fabric Bag Reduction, Fixation and Supporting of Bone Abnormalities  
**Examiner:** Mr. Pedro Philogene  
**Group Art Unit:** 3732

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated August 18, 2003.

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Please amend the application as follows:

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